

Amendments to the Specification:

Submitted herewith is a clean Substitute Specification. In addition, a marked-up copy of the Specification is being submitted.

Applicants affirm that the Substitute Specification submitted herewith only includes those changes shown in the marked-up copy of the original Specification. Also, care has been taken to avoid adding any new matter to the specification.

Entry of the Substitute Specification is earnestly requested.

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

~~--There is disclosed an arrangement wherein An analog signal input/output system in which~~ an analog signal input terminal converts an input analog signal to a digital signal and transmits the digital signal to a host computer via a network, while a digital signal generated by the host computer is transmitted through the network to an analog signal output terminal and converted therein to an analog signal to be outputted. ~~There are provided two~~ Two connections of upstream and downstream sockets between the host computer and the analog signal input/output device. These connections are selectively used to ~~provide realize excellent~~ communication of control signals and data. ~~Particularly, such~~ Exemplary analog signals may include input signals from a microphone, output signals to a speaker, and input/output data to/from a sensor, a measuring device and the like.--

A clean copy of the Abstract of the Disclosure is being provided on a separate sheet for the Examiner's convenience.